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## RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of February 19, 2010, constituting a requirement for restriction between (I) claims 1-13 and (II) claim 14, Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group I, i.e. claims 1-13.

Referring to item 4 of the Office Action, the Examiner has also required an election of species, in response to which Applicants elect:

Liquified gas: dimethyl ether, reading on claims 1-13; and Binding agent: methacrylic acid methyl methacrylate 1:1 copolymer (Eudragit<sup>TM</sup> L 100), reading on claims 1-13.

Applicants emphasize that the foregoing elections are made while reserving their rights under 35 U.S.C. §121 to file a divisional application for the non-elected subject matter.

Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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